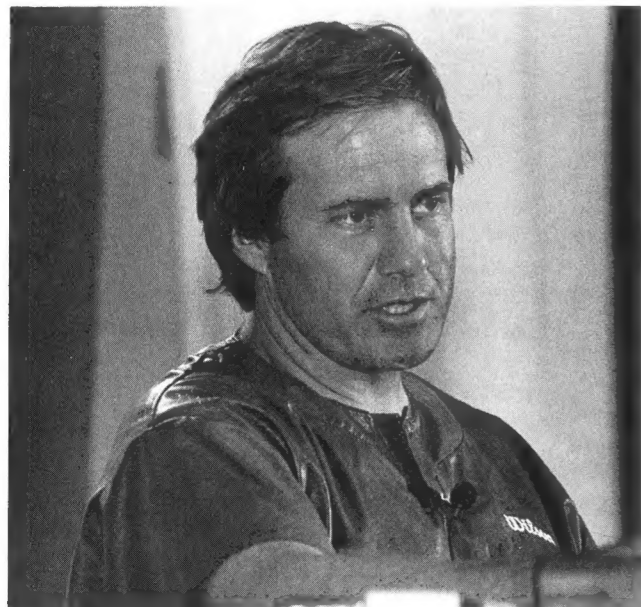
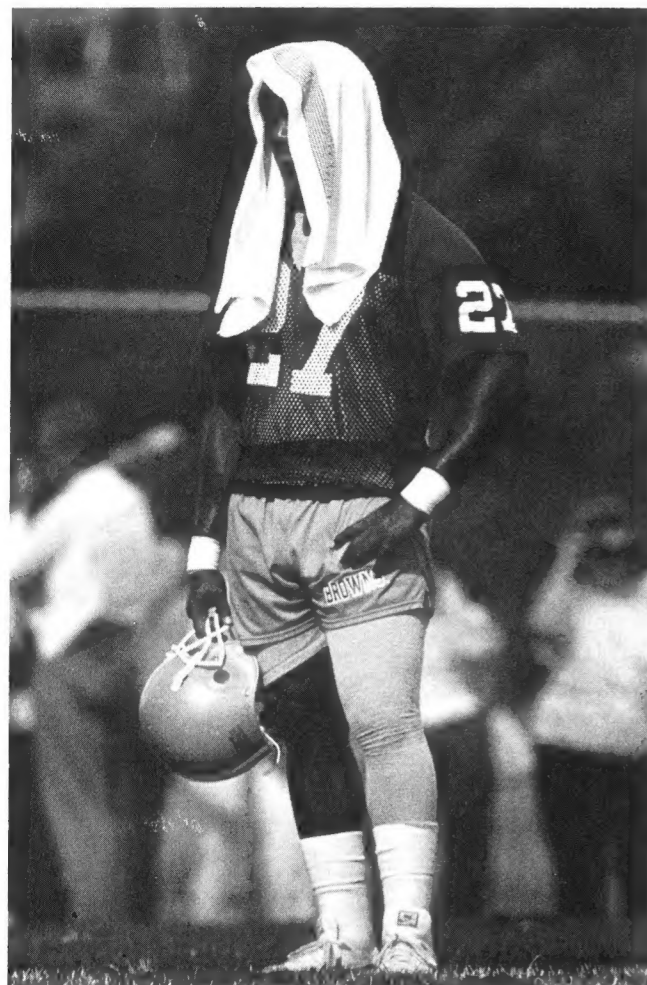


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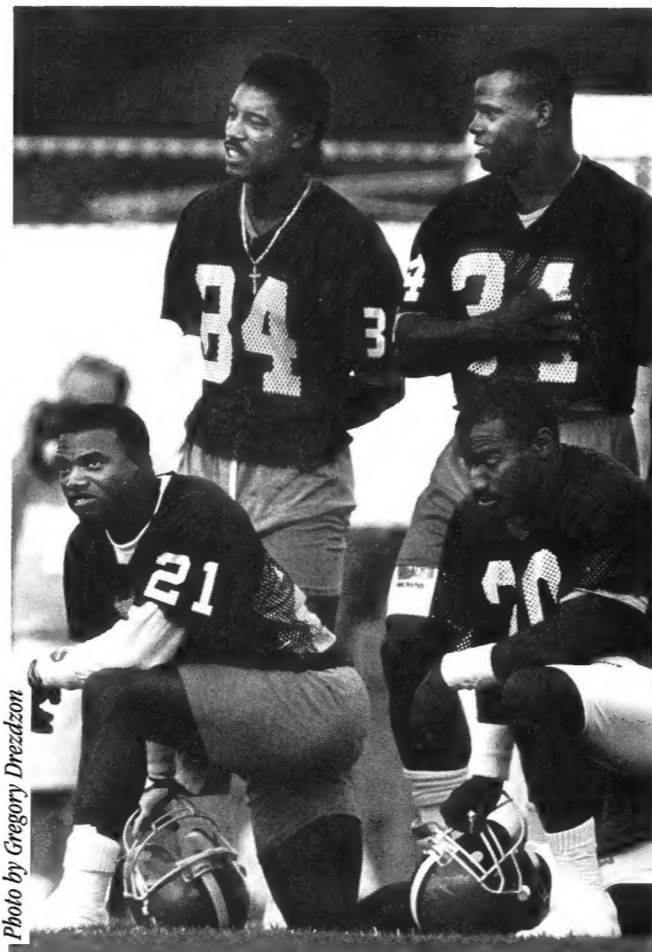
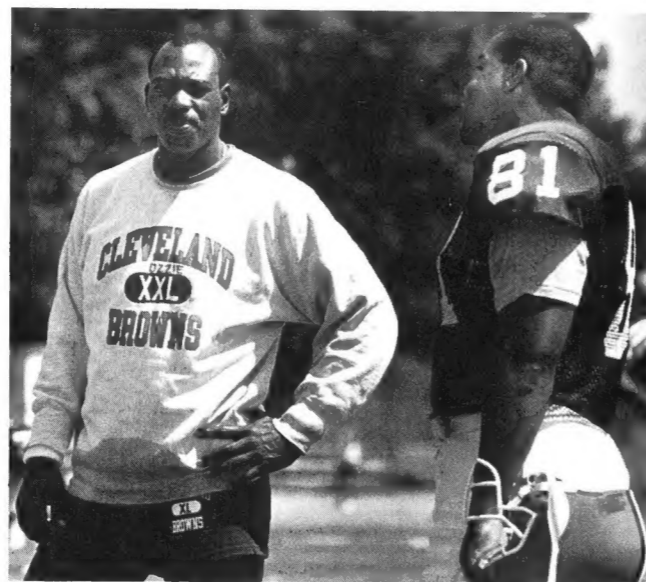


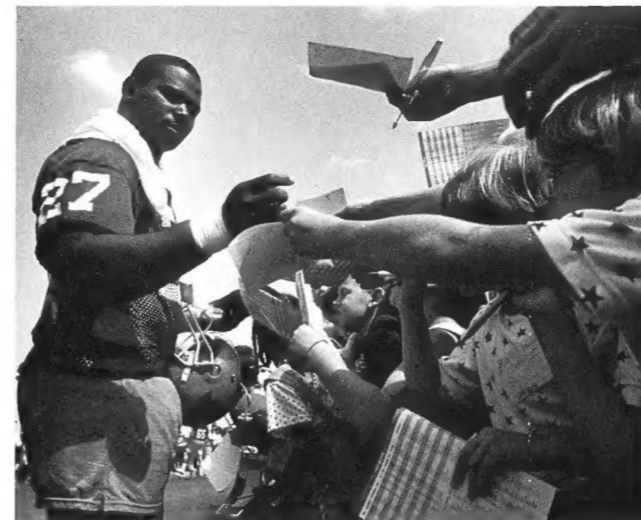
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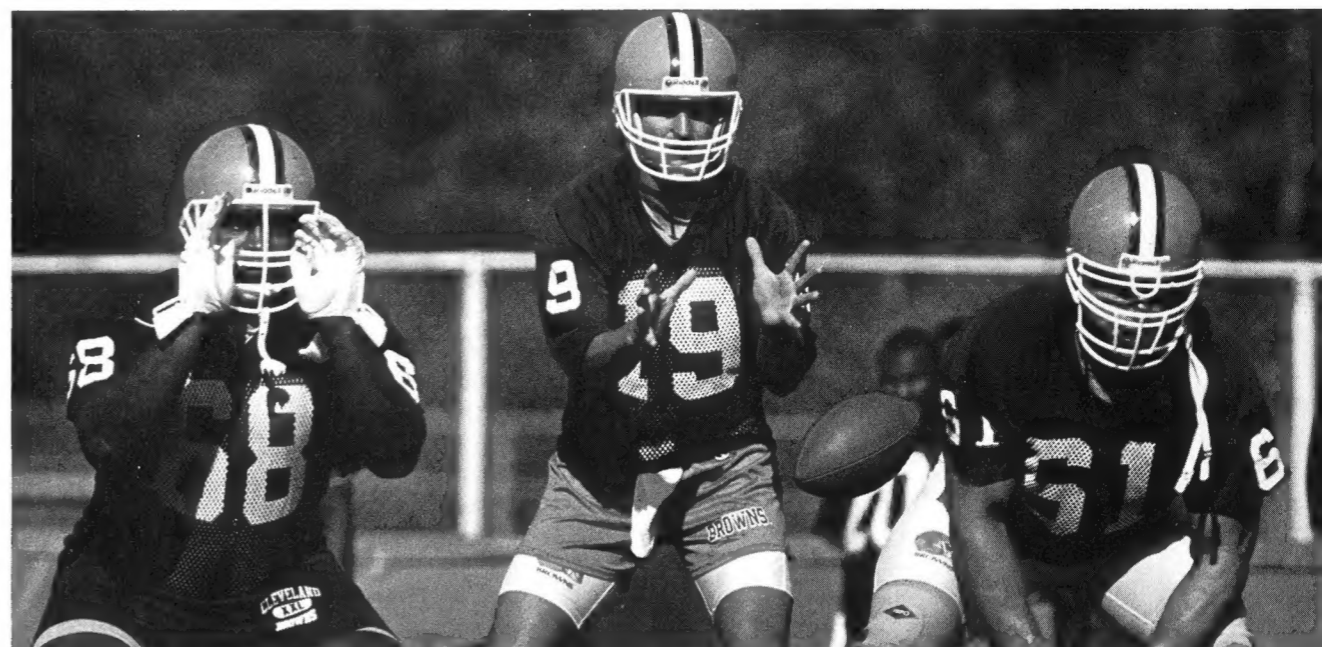
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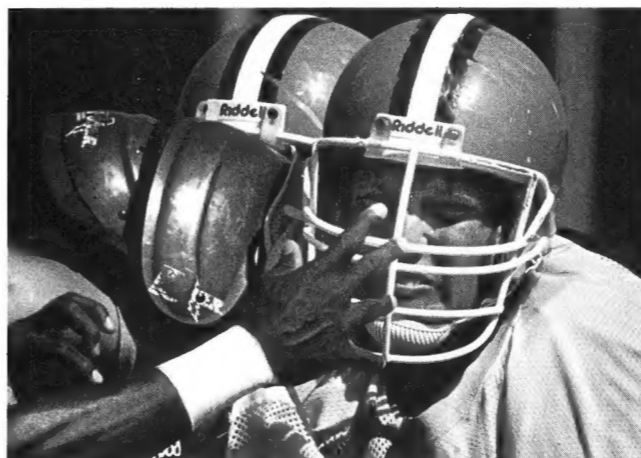
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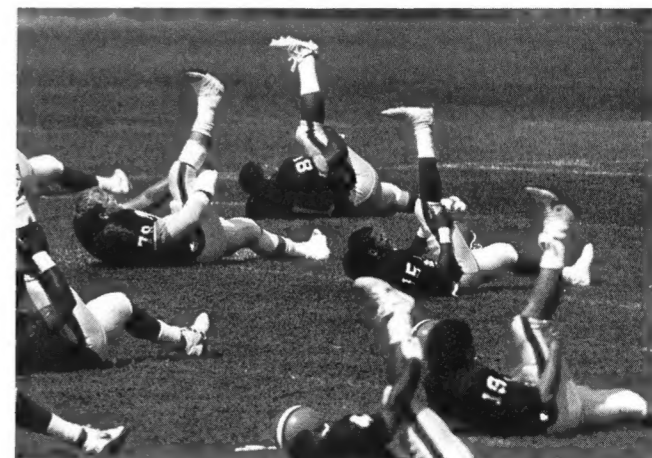
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A Browns-Vikings' Game To Remember . . .

The date was December 17, 1989, and the Browns had their work cut out for them in their all-important clash with the Minnesota Vikings in front of 70,777 fans, braving the gametime temperature of 10 degrees (windchill was -22 degrees) at Cleveland Stadium.

A Browns' victory would set up a Week 16 showdown for the AFC Central Division crown in Houston.

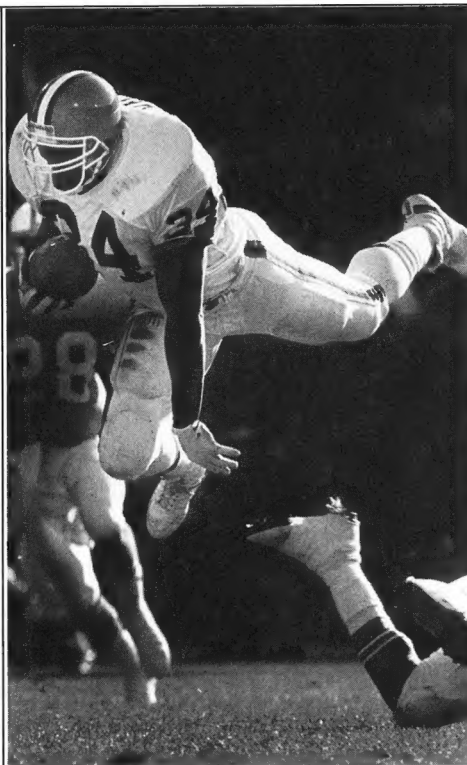
Like two heavyweights measuring each other, neither the Browns nor the Vikings scored until Rich Karlis hit a 44-yard field goal, giving the visiting Vikings a 3-0 lead at the half. In the third quarter, the Browns jumped on the scoreboard when quarterback Bernie Kosar found tight end Ron Middleton alone in the end zone to give Cleveland a 7-3 lead.

Minnesota's heralded running back, Herschel Walker, capped a Vikings' drive by dashing 26 yards minutes later giving the Vikes a 10-7 edge. It lasted only 27 seconds. Kosar came back with a strike to wide receiver Reggie Langhorne, who turned the play into a 62-yard touchdown.

The scoring pace continued. Early in the fourth period, after veteran quarterback Tommy Kramer replaced the injured Wade Wilson, the Vikings moved ahead, 17-14, on a 2-yard pass from Kramer to Steve Jordan.

As the clock showed 3:30 remaining in the game, Kosar again went into his patented ball-control game and dictated the time by using the next 2:37 to set up a tricky, but successful, 33-yard Matt Bahr field goal to tie the score at 17-17.

Minnesota had one more shot at winning the game, with 33 seconds to play, but Kramer's pass was intercepted by Cleveland's defensive back Kyle Kramer and another overtime game was staring at the Browns.



■ FB Kevin Mack had a busy day with 18 carries with 55 yards.

This was nothing new to the Clevelanders. It marked the 19th time the Browns went into overtime, more times than any other team in the league.

Cleveland won the toss, took the kickoff, ran one series and punted.

The Browns' defense, which had played an overtime session against the Colts the previous weekend, stopped the Vikings after six plays and Cleveland took over.

Kosar responded quickly, by combining with Langhorne on a 39-yard pass play. Cleveland kept the ball on the ground for the next three plays.

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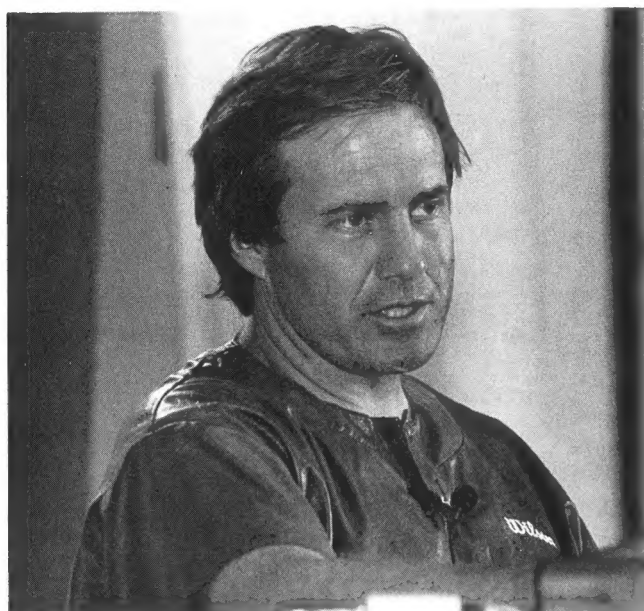


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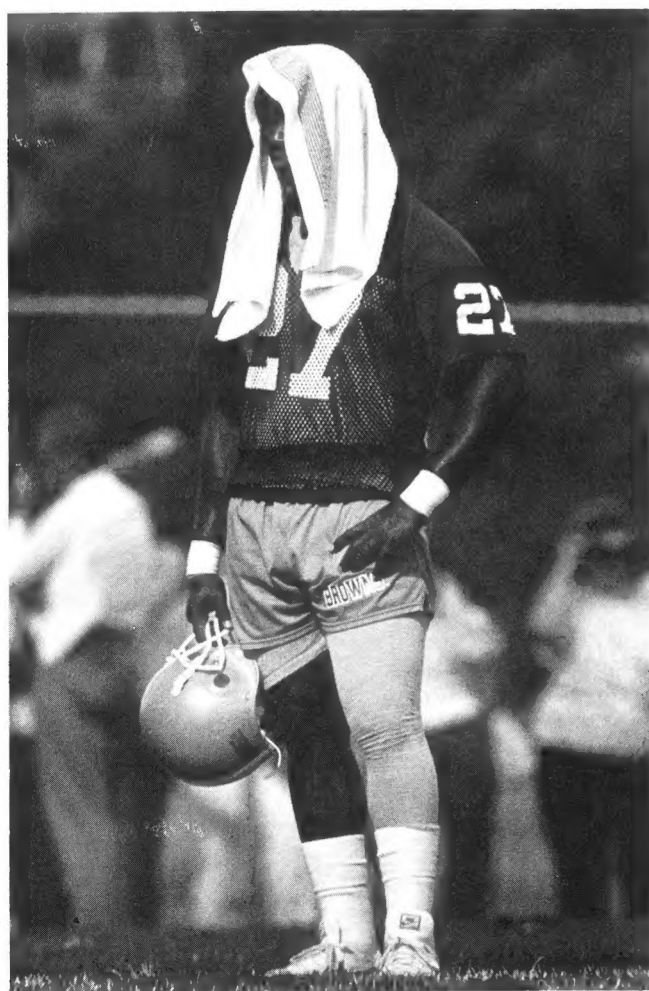
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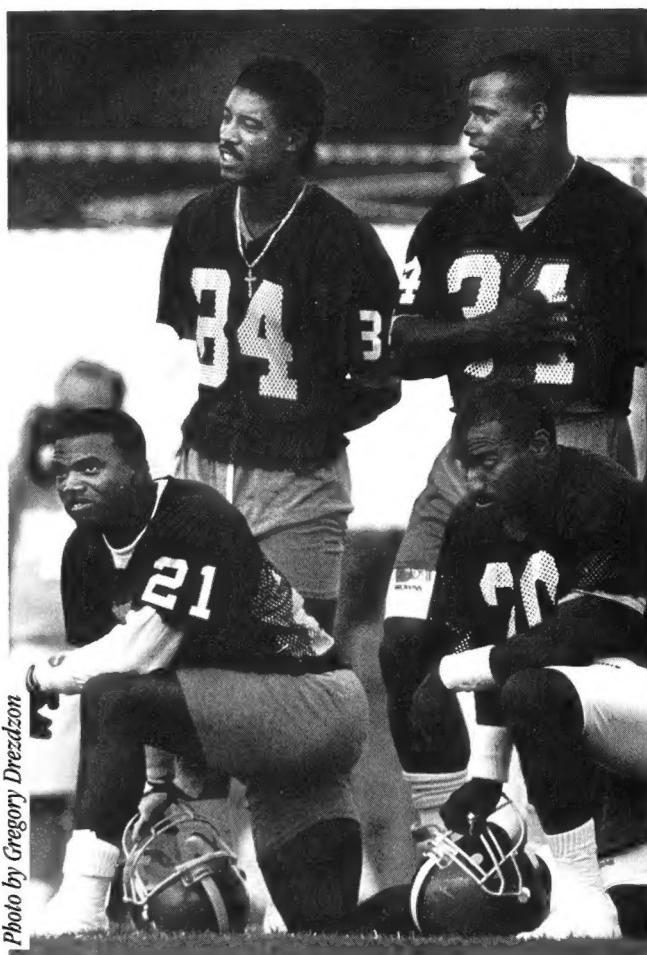
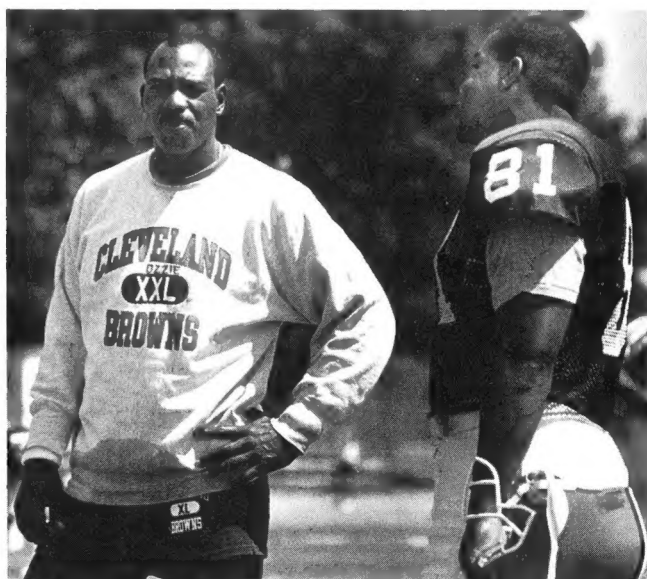


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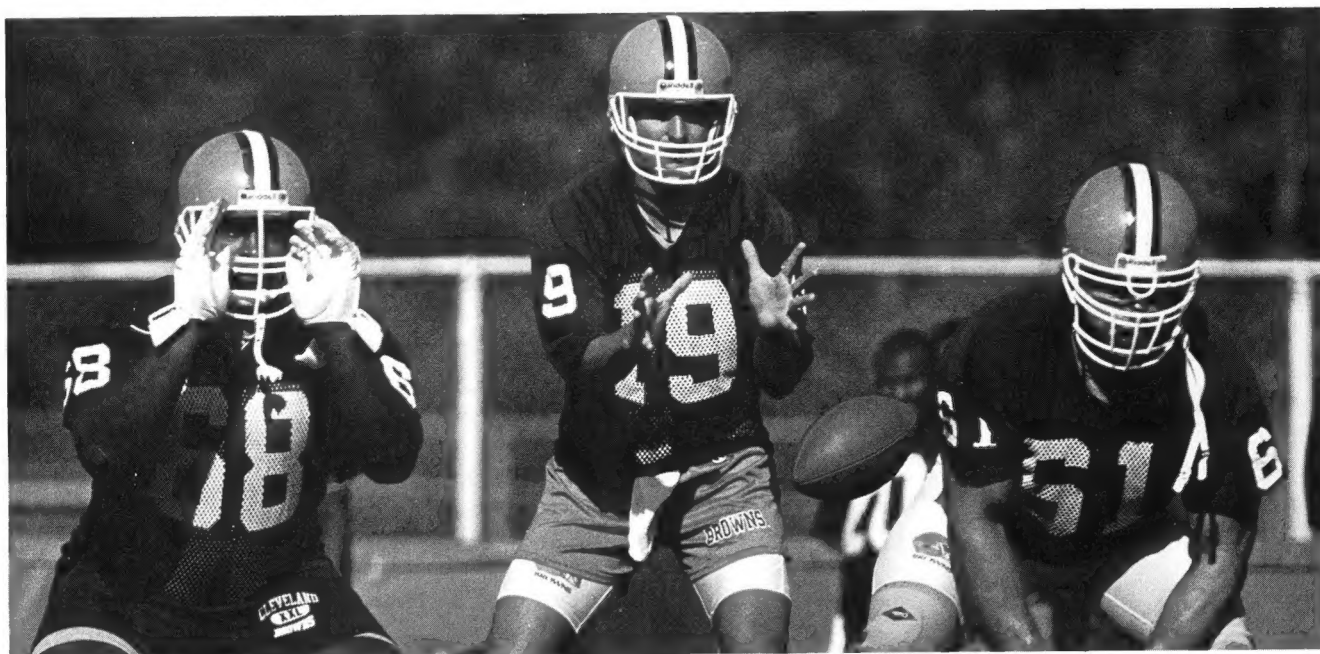
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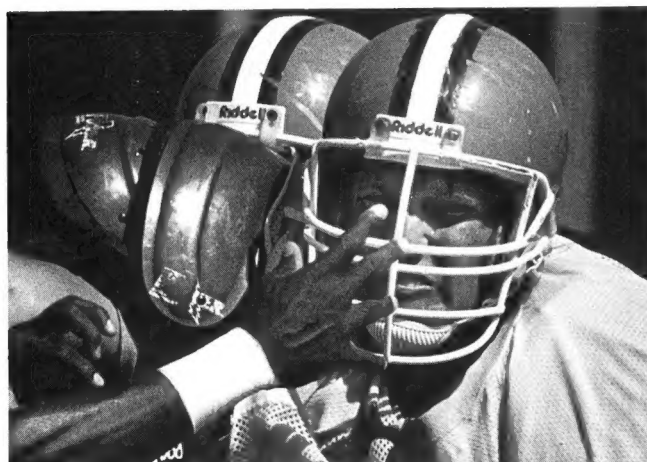
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BROWNS FLASHBACK

AUGUST 10, 1952—RB Rex Baumgardner was sent to the Baltimore Colts for an unspecified sum of money.

AUGUST 10, 1956—QB George Ratterman led the Browns in a methodical 26-0 triumph over the College All-Stars at Chicago. The defending NFL champions recorded four field goals from Lou Groza while completely shutting down the collegians.

AUGUST 10, 1969—Former Ohio State star Bo Scott returned from the Canadian Football League to join the Browns. He immediately made an impact as he starred on offense in a 21-16 win over San Francisco in a preseason game at the University of Washington. Defensively, the Browns had excellent efforts from Walt Sumner and Fred Summers, both DB's.

AUGUST 11, 1950—T Joe Spencer was traded to Green Bay for E Gordon Soltau.

AUGUST 11, 1953—The Browns received a draft choice from San Francisco for rookie DE Bob Van Doran.

AUGUST 11, 1961—The beginning and the end of the 1961 season occurred for G Gene Hickerson in a preseason contest at Detroit. The Browns' All-Pro guard suffered a severe fracture of his leg and missed the entire campaign.

AUGUST 11, 1962—QB Jim Ninowski, who was re-acquired from Detroit, handed his old team a 17-14 preseason loss in Detroit by throwing two TD passes to WR Ray Renfro.

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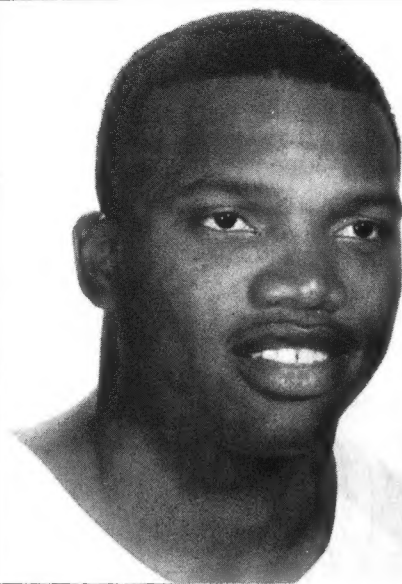
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AUGUST 12, 1974—QB Will Cureton hit WR Steve Holden on an 80-yard TD pass play with 22 seconds left to play as the Browns toppled the San Francisco 49ers, 21-20, in a preseason contest at the Stadium.

AUGUST 12, 1978—A new rule, one which would allow a teammate to catch a passed ball after being deflected by another teammate, resulted in a touchdown pass thrown by QB Mark Miller. His pass, intended for TE Oscar Roan, bounced off Roan's fingertips and was fielded by WR Keith Wright, to complete a 25-yard pass and touchdown in a 20-10 triumph over Buffalo in Orchard Park, New York in a preseason game.

AUGUST 13, 1960—The Browns topped long-time nemesis Detroit, 28-14, as QB Milt Plum tossed three touchdown passes, including a game-opening 40-yard score to WR Ray Renfro, in this preseason win. It was the Browns' first-ever win in Detroit. ■

BROWNS BIO



■ Eric Metcalf

FULL NAME: Eric Quinn Metcalf

OCCUPATION: Running Back

BIRTHDATE: January 23, 1968

BIRTHPLACE: Seattle, Washington

PRO: Lightning-quick scatback who has gained 3,500 combined yards and 14 TDs in his first two seasons ... Snapped Browns' combined net yards average gain season mark in '90 with a 9.27 clip (topping Bobby Mitchell's 9.25 avg., set in 1961) ... Scored four times last year, including twice on kickoff returns ... Finished second on Browns' all-time rookie TD list with 10 in 1989 (tied with Kevin Mack, '85, and Jim Brown, '57, one behind Dub Jones' 11 in '50) ... Totaled 1,752 combined yards in 1990, and 1,748 combined yards as a rookie (ninth and tenth best in club history) ... Was the seventh player ever selected by the Browns from the University of Texas, and the first running back taken by Cleveland in the first round since Charles White of USC was picked in 1980 ... Named to Football Digest's 1989 all-rookie team.

COLLEGE, PERSONAL: Was named the University of Texas' Offensive Player of the decade in a survey by the Austin American-Statesman ... Holds the Southwest Conference career all-purpose yardage mark with 5,705 yards ... Was a Heisman Trophy candidate and two-time NCAA long jump champion ... Equally adept at rushing and receiving, as he totaled 2,661 rushing yards and caught a school record 125 passes for 1,394 yards ... Also a dangerous return specialist who totaled 1,076 yards on 101 punt returns and 574 yards on 32 kickoff returns ... Even threw for two touchdowns as a junior ... Won the NCAA long jump championship as

a junior, with a jump of 27'-2" ... Has legitimate sub-4.4 speed in the 40-yard dash ... Caught 42 passes in both sophomore and senior seasons (second best single-season mark in UT history) ... Earned third team All-America honors as a senior (1988), as well as All-SWC honors ... Rushed for 932 yards and eight touchdowns, and caught 42 passes for 333 yards, with two TDs ... Won conference player of the year honors as a junior (1987) and second team All-America (AP), while enjoying most productive collegiate season ... Gained 1,925 all-purpose yards, a school record ... Average of 175 all-purpose yards per game ranked first in the conference and third nationally ... Rushed for 1,161 yards, third-best in Longhorn history, and scored 10 TDs ... Led the SWC and was sixth nationally with a 13.5 yard punt return average ... Competed in 24 collegiate track meets and compiled 13 wins ... Won the 1985 NCAA Outdoor long jump title as a freshman with a leap of 27'-1/2" ... Also won as a junior with a 27'-2" leap, and had a career best 27' 8-3/4" at the 1988 Mobile Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Tampa ... Was named Washington area prep Player of the Year by the Washington TD Club in his senior year at Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington, Va ... Rushed for 1,058 yards as a junior and 1,200 yards as a senior ... Accounted for 35 touchdowns in his final two seasons, and of his 17 as a senior, only four scores came on runs of less than 40 yards ... Father, Terry, was an All-Pro running back and return specialist for the St. Louis Cardinals and Washington Redskins, who gained 9,978 all-purpose yards in his NFL career ... Standout career at Long Beach State saw him score 29 TDs and 1,673 yards as a junior ... Liberal Arts major ... Loves music: Eric, with teammate (and close friend) Webster Slaughter, performed an anti-drug rap/dance that NBC aired in '89 ... ■



■ Metcalf had two TDs on KORs in 1990.

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